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TO AMEMBASSY LIBREVILLE

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SUBJECT: TRANSGABON RAILROAD -- U.S. REPRESENTATIVE

SEPTEMBER MRCE MEETING RE LOCOMOTIVES

REF: (A) LIBREVILLE 1019; (B) STATE 175663; (C) DIGGS-COUNTRYMAN

LETTER AUGUST 14

1. U.S. REPRESENTATIVE TO BE WILLIAM D. EDSON, WHO
WILL COME LIBREVILLE WITH TITLE SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE OF
DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF EXPORT DEVELOPMENT, U.S. DEPARTMENT
OF COMMERCE.

2. EDSON IS GS-15 MECHANICAL ENGINEER WITH FEDERAL RAIL-
ROAD ADMINISTRATION, DOT. EXCEPTIONALLY STRONG TECHNICAL
BACKGROUND INCLUDES BS MECHANICAL ENGINEERING RENSSALAER
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POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTE AND EXTENSIVE WORK EXPERIENCE

LOCOMOTIVE DESIGN, MAINTENANCE, UTILIZATION, PLANNING.
HE DOES NOT, REPEAT NOT, HAVE FRENCH LANGUAGE FACILITY,
BUT IS DEVELOPING KNOWLEDGE FRENCH TECHNICAL TERMS USED
IN LOT 6 (LOCOMOTIVES) BIDDING.

3. EFFORTS CURRENTLY UNDERWAY PROCURE PASSPORT, VISA,
IMMUNIZATION SHOTS IN TIME TO HAVE EDSON LIBREVILLE BY
SEPTEMBER 12, OR AS SOON THEREAFTER AS EMBASSY CONSIDERS
HIS PRESENCE NEEDED FOR NEXT MRCE MEETING RE LOCOMOTIVES
OR PRE-MEETING CONSULTATIONS OCTRA OR TAMS GROUP.

4. BEFORE EDSON ARRIVES LIBREVILLE HE WILL HAVE HAD BRIEFING
WITH APPROPRIATE GENERAL ELECTRIC PERSONNEL IN U.S. AND
BERGIER IN ABIDJAN.

5. EMBASSY REQUESTED GIVE BEST PRESENT ESTIMATE AS TO DATE
EDSON NEEDED LIBREVILLE AND DURATION HIS PRESENCE.

6. IF MRCE USED TO REVIEW PROPOSALS BOOUE-FRANCEVILLE
SECTION, COMMERCE WILL ATTEMPT PROVIDE QUALIFIED USG
REP. WITH CIVIL ENGINEER/RAILROAD BACKGROUND. KISSINGER

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